

Worth Township Advisory Board Meeting

Date: January 2, 2024

Location: Trustee office, 8 South Main Street in Whitestown, Indiana

- **Meeting called to order:** 6:00pm
- **Present:** Shelby Hasz, Mike Hancock
- **Absent:** Will Jacob
- **Trustee:** Jim Baldwin was present
- **Legal Counsel:** Jeff Jacob was present

Approval of agenda: Trustee Baldwin asked to add discussion of the office lease under old business.

Motion to approve amended agenda made by Mike, 2nd by Shelby **Vote 2-0**

Action on Previous Minutes of 12/19/2023: Motion to approve made by Shelby, 2nd by Mike **Vote 2-0**

Agenda Item 1: Nomination and Election of Officers

Mike Hancock nominated Shelby Hasz for President and she accepted the nomination.

Shelby Hasz nominated Mike Hancock for Secretary and he accepted the nomination.

Motion to appoint Shelby as President made by Mike, 2nd by Shelby **Vote 2-0**

Motion to appoint Mike as Secretary made by Shelby, 2nd by Mike **Vote 2-0**

Agenda Item 2: Fire Board Appointments

Trustee Baldwin, under the interlocal agreement, is responsible for the fire board appointments.

Trustee Baldwin reappointed Mike Hancock as a voting member, and Kasey Copeland as a non-voting member to the fire board for 2024.

Agenda Item 3: Township Assistance Guidelines

Lengthy and continued discussion took place, with questions asked, questions answered, and suggestions offered. It is hoped that the final version will be ready for consideration and the next meeting.

Agenda Item 4: Old Business

- A) Office Lease Update: Trustee Baldwin was able to reach an agreement with the landlord to continue using the office space on a month-to-month basis thru February at a cost of \$1,100 per month.
- B) Fire Board: The next meeting will be on January 10, 2024
- C) Cemetery Updates: Mike said he had just been out to the cemetery to retrieve, charge, and return the cameras and everything looks good at the cemetery.
- D) Library: The lease agreement for the Trustees office is still being negotiated. The move-in date is now projected for some time in February with a grand opening sometime in March.

Public Comment: None

Announcements: The next Township board meeting will be January 16, 2024 at 6:00pm.

Mike made the announcement that the Whitestown Council did hold a special meeting on December 21, 2023, which two council members were unable to attend, and went ahead and voted to approve the Union contract between the firefighters and the town of Whitestown despite objections, and without additional Fire Board discussion or recommendation. Jeff Jacob made public comment on behalf of the Township Trustees office during the meeting and noted frustrations with the process, and how this matter has been handled. Jeff also reminded the council of the recent oversight on the budget issue. Mike suggests, and is hopeful, that productive discussions can take place with the new Whitestown Council regarding a review of the interlocal agreement. The special town council meeting video is available on the towns YouTube channel.

Meeting adjourned: Motion by Shelby, 2nd by Mike

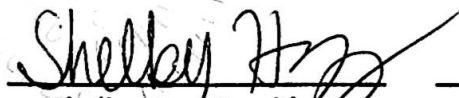
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Respectfully submitted,
Mike Hancock, Secretary, Worth Township Advisory Board
Worth Township, Boone County, Indiana, USA

Approved:



Jim Baldwin-Trustee



Shelby Hasz-President



Mike Hancock-Secretary



Will Jacob-Member